### Outreach Education

Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park Curecanti National Recreation Area

**National Park Service** 



Grade 2, Pre-Visit Activity, "Weather, Weather, All Around Us"

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**Instructions**: Review the vocabulary words. Complete the activity on the back of this page.

#### **Vocabulary Words**

**Forecast**: To predict what is going to happen in the future

Condensation: Occurs when water vapor cools and turns into liquid water

**Evaporation**: When liquid water is heated and turns into water vapor, the process is called

evaporation

**Precipitation**: Water that falls from a cloud as rain, snow or hail

**Snow**: Precipitation in the form of ice crystals

**Rain**: Precipitation in the form of liquid water

**Weather**: The state of the atmosphere at a certain time and place; weather includes temperature, humidity, winds, clouds, and precipitation

**Cloud:** A visible group of tiny water droplets or ice crystals in the atmosphere

**Cumulus cloud**: fair weather clouds that form on sunny days and disappear at night; they form about 15,000 feet above the ground and indicate continuing fair weather

**Stratus clouds**: blanket the sky in thick gray layers; often produce drizzle or mist, and occur about 5,000 feet above the ground

**Cumulonimbus cloud**: often called thunderheads and produce violent storms; whitish gray on top and very dark gray or black on the bottom

**Cirrus cloud**: wispy ice crystal clouds that form at 35,000 feet; present during fair weather and predict a change in the weather

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# Weather Words!

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Joke!



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expected some change A Because she in the weather

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### Forecasting Activity

Match the weather with the cloud type.

Continued nice weather

Thunderstorm

Change in weather

Wet weather





